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July GARS Meeting: Operating From "Last Man Standing"





by John, WB4QDX, Amy, KE4IKF and Ed, WA4IYH—July 9, 7:00 PM, at EAA 690

GARS July Meeting and Workshop

Operating From
"Last Man Standing"
by John, WB4QDX,
Amy, KE4IKF and Ed, WA4IYH

Tuesday, July 9, 2019 7:00 pm

What is Club Log, and How Do I Get Started? by Mike Weathers, ND4V

Tuesday, July 16, 2019 7:00 pm

Sports Aviation Complex—Hangar 1 690 Airport Road Lawrenceville, GA 30045

NOTE: Location Entrance to the Hangar has changed! See below link for more details!

Updated entrance Directions to EAA Hangar

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GARS Communications

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| 147.255(+) MHz Tone 107.2 | (Offline for Maintenance |
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| 1.0 MHZ Oliset | W4GR |
| 70 Cm Repeaters | |
| 444.525(+) MHz Tone 82.5 | <u>D-STAR</u> |
| 442.100(+) MHz Tone 100 | WD4STR |
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GARS Happenings

20 Years ago in the July 1999 GARzette:

- Gwinnett ARES was honored with the "Good Neighbor Award" for their support of Red Cross operations following a April 9, 1998 tornado that struck DeKalb and Gwinnett counties
- GARS announced a new email server and online calendar for its members;
- The "Shack of the Month" features Bob Varone, W4ETN:
- This month's "On The Air" by Karl Phillips, K4GZZ, features Ade Wirth, W4ADE;
- The Examinations question pools remain unchanged until the FCC acts upon Amateur Radio restructuring;
- The FCC increases the license Vanity fee from \$13 to \$14;
- The Amateur Radio Spectrum Protection Act, HR 783, now has 76 cosponsors;
- The FCC Universal Licensing System (ULS) is scheduled to be deployed for Amateur Radio use in August.



You can always browse the GARzette archive at http://www.gars.org/newsletters

73, Bill, WB2RIS, GARzette Editor

Ham Cram Technician License Class Saturday, July 20 and 27, 2019

This is the entry level study session. For more information on the test session <u>click here</u> to email the instructors.

STUDY GUIDE:

We will be using the hamradioschool.com material.

CLASS

Time determined by the instructors; Thirty Minute Lunch Break with lunch brought in.

LOCATION:

Gwinnett County Emergency Operations Center (EOC) 800 Hi-Hope Road, Lawrenceville Click here for directions

EXAM SESSION:

This exam session is a closed session only available to those students who sign up for the class.

REGISTRATION:

*** Pre-registration is Required ***

*** There is a no refund policy for no shows ***

First Saturday will be 08:00 to 16:00, the second Saturday will start at 08:00 till finished, followed by the test session. Lunch will be 30 minutes ordered in. The \$25.00 will cover lunches and testing.

GARS HELP WANTED

- Winter Field Day (WFD) Chairperson -- a volunteer is needed to organize and coordinate next year's Winter Field Day
 operating event in January, 2020 and beyond. The chairperson will schedule the facility, recruit station captains and
 volunteers to organize food and antennas. The outgoing Chairperson (Dave, W4DTR) will train you if needed.
- Elmer Chair—need someone to coordinate matching up Elmers (mentors) with new hams. (Perhaps you had one when you were a new ham?)
- GARzette Editor Looking for someone to become the next GARzette Editor, starting off as a GARzette Committee member / Assistant Editor. Experience with Microsoft Publisher would be nice, but any experience with Microsoft Office products is helpful. Most of the content is supplied by others, but occasionally you may wish to write content, especially in your area of expertise. If you are interested, please contact Bill Eggers, WB2RIS at editor@gars.org.

Thanks to Glen Wendt, W3WWT, for taking over as TechFest Chairperson!

If you're interested in volunteering for one of these positions, please contact one of the GARS Officers. Supporting GARS activities is an important part of what we do and help from club members is needed.

[PS— Articles to publish in the GARzette, either written by GARS members or published elsewhere, are always welcome. —Ed.]

GARS Happenings (Cont'd)

GARS Field Day Photos



GARS Happenings (Cont'd)



June 15, 2019

Gwinnett Amateur Radio Society Norman Schklar, WA4ZXV

Dear Friends,

On behalf of the ARRL Foundation Officers and Board, I am pleased to announce the 2019 recipient of The Gwinnett Amateur Radio Society Scholarship in the amount of \$1000.

Jackson Wiggs, KM4GBJ of Lawrenceville, GA has been selected for The Gwinnett Amateur Radio Society Scholarship from an outstanding group of applicants. Scholarship recipients were recently notified of their awards, and we have already had many replies conveying their excitement and appreciation.

Scholarships through the ARRL Foundation would not be available without the support of thoughtful and generous sponsors such as you. Thank you for making The Gwinnett Amateur Radio Society Scholarship possible, and for aiding a student Amateur Radio operator in his/her pursuit of their higher education. I am confident that these young people will be successful in their future careers, and in representing Amateur Radio as well.

Again, many thanks for your support of this award. If you have any questions, please contact ARRL Foundation Secretary Lauren Clarke, KB1YDD at ARRL (or).

Best 73,

Dr. David Woolweaver, K5RAV President ARRL Foundation

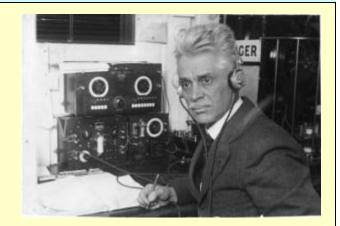
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The recipient of the \$3500 Ernest L. Baulch, W2TX, and Marcia E. Baulch, WA2AKJ, Scholarship is GARS member Ruth Willet, KM4LAO. Congratulations to all recipients!

[Note: Lauren Clarke recently stepped down as ARRL Development Department Manager. For any questions, please contact Development associates Regina Galuppi, W3DGI (860-594-0291) or Maryann Macdonald, KB1ZTH. (860-594-0228). Source: http://www.arrl.org/news/arrl-development-department-manager-lauren-clarke-kb1ydd-departs-headquarters—Ed.]

A Letter to all Amateur Radio Operators

In April 1917 a letter from the U.S. Navy District Communication Superintendent was mailed to every Amateur Radio operator in the country. We had entered World War I. Shortly after this letter was sent, a bill was introduced in the House of Representatives proposing that all radio communications, including Amateur Radio, should be handed over to the U.S. Navy. Percy Maxim, one of the American Radio Relay League founders, immediately went to Washington lobbying against the proposed legislation. Fortunately, the bill died in committee. The letter read as follows.



"To all Radio Experimenters,

"Sirs:

"By virtue of the authority given the President of the United States by an Act of Congress, approved August 13, 1912, entitled, 'An Act to Regulate Radio Communication,' I hereby direct the immediate closing of all stations for radio communications both transmitting and receiving, owned and operated by you. In order to fully carry this order into effect, I direct that all the antenna and all aerial wires be immediately lowered to the ground and that all radio apparatus both for transmitting and receiving any radio messages or signals, and that it so remain until this order is revoked. Immediate compliance with this order is insisted upon and will be strictly enforced. Please report on the enclosed blank your compliance with this order; a failure to return such blanks promptly will lead to rigid investigation."

With the "Great War" underway, the U.S. Military establishment found themselves with a complete shortage of radio operators and instructors. The military contacted Percy Maxim for help in meeting their immediate need for five hundred qualified radio operators. Before the end of World War I, four thousand radio operators had seen duty . . . but the Amateur Radio ban continued.

Another attempt was made in November 1918 to put the Secretary of the Navy in charge of all radio in the U.S. and again, Percy Maxim, at his own expense, went to Washington attending the hearing on the bill. It again died in committee. On April 12, 1919, the Navy Department announced that the ban on receiving was lifted but radio transmissions by amateurs were still banned until the President declared peace. Maxim urged that the ban be lifted and with the aid of the Assistant Secretary, Franklin Delano Roosevelt, the Navy lifted the ban on September 26, 1919.

GARS is a "Special Service Club" affiliated with the American Radio Relay League, the (our) national association for Amateur Radio. As an ARRL Affiliated Special Service Club we are required annually to file an application with the ARRL that, in addition to other information regarding our activities, indicates that at least 51% of our club members are members of the ARRL. If you aren't already an ARRL Member, I hope that the efforts of "The Old Man" over a century ago will encourage you to become a member to support our national association.



Source: Percy, Clarence, QST and The ARRL, Before, During and After the Birth of Amateur Radio, by Larry Telles, K6SPP

Submitted by Paul Kelley W4KLY

Beginner's Corner

YouTube Channels Revisited

It has been a while since we have covered all the amateur radio programs available on the internet, so I thought I might make a thorough review and update everyone on some new programs out there.

Tuesdays at 8 pm means that it is time for the W5KUB "Amateur Radio Roundtable". You can go to http://tmedlin.com/ for this one. There is a chat room, as well. Tom, W5KUB, and co-host Katie Allen have numerous guests on the program. Past shows are on YouTube at https://www.youtube.com/results? search query=w5kub+roundtable. Often, if time permits, Tom takes viewer calls.



"Ham Nation" comes on Wednesday nights at 9 pm ET or thereabouts. This is the live feed: https://twit.tv/live. You can also find them on YouTube at https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=ham+nation. All the over 400 episodes are archived there. Ham Nation is segmented into different sections, much as a magazine is. Gordon West, WB6NOA, has his "Sure Shots" where he covers a topic on amateur radio. Don Wilbanks, AE5DW, has amateur radio news, and there is an excellent solar propagation segment by Dr. Tamatha Skov, who recently procured her amateur radio license. This is a fast-paced and entertaining program.

There is a new program on Friday nights. "Ham Radio Crash Course" is on at 10 pm ET, at https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=ham+radio+crash+course. Josh, nicknamed "Hoshnasni," covers a new topic each week. He caters to newer hams. Josh also has a phone-in segment on his program.

On a monthly basis, there is "Amateur Logic", which if memory serves me right, is done live on a Friday night in the middle of each month. Their URL is https://www.amateurlogic.tv/blog/. George and Tommy make a good pair, and make their programs interesting and entertaining. They also do a monthly program for those who wish to get their amateur radio license, or to upgrade their license. It is called "Ham College". They are up to episode Number 53. Past episodes can be seen at the above address. You can also find past episodes at https://www.youtube.com/results? search query=amateur+logic.

A program that covers listening to everything radio is the "Official Shortwave Channel". This is done from Montreal by Gilles (pronounces Zhill). I would try to pronounce his last name, but I wouldn't get it right. He is on Friday afternoons at 20:00 UTC (GMT or whatever) which means 4:00 pm in the summer. Gilles site in front of the camera and talks to his audience and answers questions from the chat room. Some of these shows run over three hours. You would think this sounds boring, but I would have to disagree. Take time to check him out this Friday. His address is https://www.youtube.com/results?search_query=official+shortwave+channel.

North America is not the only source for high quality amateur radio programs, The "TX Factor" is a UK based program that does not broadcast live, but is highly recommenced as a good source for informational programs. Their address is http://www.txfilms.co.uk/txfactor/. There is a British slant to the program, obviously, but there are some very interesting topics copied. As a former UK resident, I highly recommend looking into their archives.

There are a number of YouTubers who contribute much in the way of information and entertainment to the amateur radio community, and we may discuss them at a future date.

73 de David Harden, KJ4CMY

Gwinnett ARES Highlights

By Karen Whited, AB4NW

Meetings are held the 4th Tuesday at 7:30 pm at the EOC on Hi Hope Road. If you are interested in emergency communications, contact Hall Collier W4IGE at w4ige@arrl.net.

PROCLAMATION: Amateur Radio Week June 16-22

Issued by the Gwinnett Board of Commissioners, the ceremony was held on June 5 with several of our members in attendance. The Board recognizes the contributions of Amateur to the county and our support of the Gwinnett EOC. It

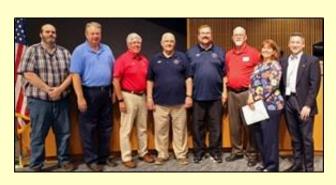
also acknowledges Field Day on June 22-24. Pictured below are: Dave Slotter W3DJS; John Davis WB4QDX; Ralph Pickwick KJ4CNC; Sid Weaver N4NQ; Glen Wendt W3WWT; David Adcock KA4KKF; Nancy Coltrin KK4HUB, Emergency Management Specialist with the EOC; and Ben Ku District 2 Commissioner.



Gwinnett ARES provided communications support for the Gwinnett Sheriff's Dept. Jail Break Challenge Obstacle Run, where teams and individuals competed



around a 5K obstacle course at the County Jail. We have helped with this event for the last six years, and it has proved to be a great way to assist one of our served agencies. Using HT's, our volunteers shadowed EMS and Sheriff's Department personnel, staff positions at the start, posts along the course, and the command post where we set up Net Control. We reported when the lead runners passed each station, and we were also alert for runners needing medical assistance and communicated that to EMS. Conditions were particularly challenging due to the heavy rain that persisted throughout the event. ARES members who participated were: Earl Whatley AF4FG, Ryan Haney KJ4DRN, Jamie Burns KX4HA, Doug Kregel KB6RRX, David Adcock KA4KKF, Dave Bruse W4DTR, Mark Bell N7GRB, Charlie Allport WS4TOT, Larry Whited AB4NX, Karen Whited AB4NW, Hal Collier W4IGE, Ralph Pickwick KJ4CNC, Russell Prevost AB4QQ, John Davis WB4QDX, Bill Cherepy WB4WTN, David Harden KJ4CMY, and Mike Parrott N4MEP.



JUNE MEETING - June 25

Our June meeting featured Kyle Albritton W4KDA teaching us more about Skywarn and net operations. Hal Collier W4IGE and John Davis WB4QDX discussed the new AuxComm class offered by GEMA.















MEMBER PROFILE: Dave Adanich K8WDJ

Dave lives in Lilburn and is originally from Cleveland, Ohio. He is married to Judy. Dave attended the University of Akron where he studied telecommunications. He worked for AT&T for 38 years and is currently retired. Dave was first



licensed on September 18, 1960 in Parma, Ohio. He has been a GARS member for 15 years and ARES for 14 years. His radio and antenna equipment include a Yaesu 920, vintage Heathkits, 10-80 dipoles, VHF/UHF beams, and a 10-80 vertical. Dave enjoys RTTY, SSB, CW, PSK-31, and AM modes. He is also an alumnus of the Gwinnett Citizen's Fire Academy and is a loyal volunteer for Gwinnett Fire.

Net Managers Corner

Monday Night 2 Meter "Want, Swap, Sell, and Information Net"

GARS NEEDS MEMBERS TO SERVE AS NET CONTROL STATIONS!

GARS is a great Amateur Radio service club and we have the membership and awards to prove it. Our club is a very busy and active club and we use the Monday night net to get the information out to our members. Weekly participation is needed to make our net function well. There is only a small group of very dedicated people that make the net happen each week, and we need more members to volunteer to serve as Net Control Stations (NCS) on a rotating basis.

Out of almost 300 members, there are only SEVEN primary people who serve as NCS for the GARS net every Monday night. In no particular order, they are:

Don - KW4AL Ray - N4GYN Bill - KK4AUA David - KA4KKF Kevin - KK4WOG Chuck - KK4TKJ Russell - AB4QQ

As GARS Net Manager (Chuck KK4TKJ), I really need 26 people to fill NCS positions. I do plan and post the schedule months in advance. Any conditions will be accommodated that you as a rotating NCS need to place on the scheduling of your duties. If your plans change, I can make adjustments for the schedule to work, and I will make those changes happen as soon as I am notified of a problem. As Net Manager, I also send out reminders each week to let the NCS scheduled know he or she is NCS for the next Monday night net. In short, serving as a rotating NCS is a small duty but a great contribution to the club.

The "Want, Swap, Sell Information Net" begins promptly at 19:30 every Monday night and runs about 45 minutes. As a scheduled NCS, you will request the assistance of a volunteer alternate NCS each time you have Net Control. Your simple duties will be to tune in to the GARS repeater, read the script, take a few notes and forward the information to me for record keeping.

Please lend a hand and contact me at <u>KK4TKJ@arrl.net</u>. Sign up to help support the effort that makes GARS the great club that it is.

73 and see you on the Nets!

Chuck McCord, KK4TKJ

GARS Net Manager

GARS Membership Page

New GARS Members in June

Anthony De Lucia (W4OG)
Joseph Marlowe (KN4VCQ)
Charles Miller (KX4SB)
Jeffrey Samples (KN4VCR)

New Members: 4

Total Members as of June 30, 2019 328

Join GARS members for our weekly breakfast gathering at 7:30 AM most Saturdays

at

Golden Corral 2155 Riverside Parkway Lawrenceville, GA 30043

(Directions)

The following members are celebrating birthdays in July:

HADDY BIRTHDAY!!
From All of Us at GARS

Charles Bailey (KE4TPH) Richard Barnes (W4IXN) **Kevin Biddle** James Boyd (KB9VTM) **Charlie Broome (WD4CCZ) Bill Cherepy (WB4WTN)** William Cohl (WB2PIH) Juan Dominguez **Kevin Grado (KN40DT)** Richard Grimes (KN4OAJ) Jonathan Guidry (K5JDG) Robert Herlugson (KN4TEG) Robert Hoffmann (K4CQO) **Terry Jones (W4TL) Brian Jones (KD4UYP)** Paul Kelley (W4KLY) Gerald Lamb (WA3HCR) **Sherwin Levinson (K4SML)** Jessica Marotto (KN4QDP) **Audrey Mc Elroy (KM4BUN) Rob Osattin (KI4UTY)** William (Bill) Pierce (K1LP) Lowry Rouse Jr (KM4Z) Stephen Schreiman (KJ4MWF) Sid Weaver (N4NQ) Randy Woolery (KK4CRL)

GARS MEMBERSHIP

Your current GARS membership status is shown in the monthly newsletter e-mail towards the bottom of the message.

To become a GARS member, or to renew your GARS membership, please visit our website—http://www.gars.org

To make changes to your GARS membership (moved, new e-mail address, new phone number, etc.), please e-mail the Membership Committee - membership@gars.org

You can **renew or update** your Amateur Radio license information with the FCC at their website for free http://wireless.fcc.gov/uls/index.htm?job=home

To update your ARRL information, please visit their website - http://www.arrl.org

Membership Chair: Karen Albritton, KI4HPP Committee Members: Dave Bruse, W4DTR, Pam Meridy, WB1AKQ

EXTRA! EXTRA!

Repeater Status

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| 6M | currently down |
| 147.075 | Operational in Snellville |
| 147.255 | Operational in Snellville |
| 224.580 | Operational in Grayson |
| 442.100 | Operational at Goshen Springs |
| 442.325 | Operational in Buford |
| 444.525 | Operational in Snellville |
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L&M Mobility Robert (Mike) Smith

Link remote receivers being added

Robert (Mike) Smith
5191 La Paloma Dr.
Lilburn, GA 30047
Phone (404)-509-3104
Smithrm70@hotmail.com

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GARS on Social Media

GARS has moved to Groups.io!



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Join GARS on YouTube: http://gars.org/youtube

GARS Volunteers

OFFICERS

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| Pam Meridy, Treasurer | WB1AKQ | |
| Randy Collins, Program Manager | N4COR | |

COMMITTEE CHAIRS

| | Karen Albritton, Membership Chair and Public Information Officer | KI4HPP | |
|--------------|---|--------|---|
| | Dave Bruse, VE Team & Workshop Leader and Winter Field Day Chair | W4DTR | |
| 1 4 | David Adcock, Webmaster and Field Day Chair | KA4KKF | |
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| | Glen Wendt, TechFest Chair | W3WWT | 2 |
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| | Mike Weathers, WAS-Checker and Historian | ND4V | |
| | Chuck McCord, Net Manager | KK4TKJ | |
| | Mike Swiderski, Technical / RFI Advisor | K4HBI | |
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GARS MEETING AND WORKSHOP MINUTES

Gwinnett Amateur Radio Society – GENERAL Meeting Minutes 6/11/2019

President John Davis (WB4QDX) Opened the meeting at 7:00pm and Closed the meeting at 8:00pm 2019 Field Day Location – Harbins Park Gwinnett County

<u>Introductions and Visitors:</u> Visitors were recognized and full Introductions of the [65] attendees followed.

<u>Treasurer:</u> Pam Meridy (WB1AKQ) gave the Club financial report.

Membership Report: Karen Albritton (KI4HPP) reported that Membership is at [324].

<u>Program Chair:</u> Randy Collins (N4COR) Upcoming Programs:

- July Last Man Standing TV Show Operating by WB4QDX. KE4IKF and WA4YIH
- **August** Drone Antenna Launching (Tentative)
- **September** Morse Code by W4QO
- October Show and Tell
- **November** Tower Repair and Remote Ham System use.
- **December** Holiday Party
- **January 2020** Power Supplies

GARS Education – Ralph (KJ4CNC)

Ham Cram Technician class is scheduled for **July 20th & 27th**.

GARS Workshop Program: David (W4DTR) outlined the next few workshop sessions coming up:

• June – Demonstration of N3FJP logging software for Field Day. There will also be some demonstrations with live Single Side Band for tips and tricks.

Recognition

- Acknowledgement of GARS Member –
 Silent Key Nick Doemland (AB4CQ)
- Announcement The current 'Education Fund' will be renamed from to the 'SK Memorial Fund for Education' and a newly created 'Scholarship Fund'. Each fund will commence with a balance of \$1,400.
- An anonymous donor will match (up to \$500), any contributions made to the Education fund. See GARS.org to donate.

Break:

Submitted by: Joe Biddle AD4PZ, GARS Secretary

Workshop Meeting Minutes 6/18/2019

Number in Attendance: 30

Workshop Topics:

- Field Day Logging Software, Presented by Dave Adcock, KA4KKF
- HF Radio Controls, Presented by Ed Woodrick, WA4YIH
- HF Radio Demo (FM vs SSB), Presented by Dave Adcock, KA4KKF and Russell Prevost, AB4QQ

Submitted by Russell Prevost AB4QQ, GARS Workshop Committee Member (Workshop Secretary)

From ARRL Contest Calendar 07/27/2019 | WCARS Hamfest 2019 > For more information click the links < Location: Waynesville, NC July 2019 Type: ARRL Hamfest 13-14 IARU HF World Championship Sponsor: Western Carolina Amateur Radio Society Website: http://www.wcars.org/wcarshamfest.htm August 2019 3-4 222 MHz and Up Distance Contest 08/17/2019 | Alabama State Convention, 10 GHz & Up - Round 1 17-18 Rookie Roundup - RTTY 18 **Huntsville Hamfest** Location: Huntsville, AL September 2019 **Type: ARRL Convention** 14-16 **September VHF Sponsor: Huntsville Hamfest** 21-22 10 GHz & Up - Round 2 21-22 **EME - 2.3 GHz & Up** Website: http://hamfest.org October 2019 08/30/2019 | Shelby Hamfest 19-20 EME - 50 to 1296 MHz Location: Shelby, NC 21-25 School Club Roundup Type: ARRL Hamfest November 2019 **Sponsor: Shelby Amateur Radio Club** Nov. Sweepstakes - CW 2-4 Website: http://shelbyhamfest.org 16-17 EME - 50 to 1296 MHz 16-18 Nov. Sweepstakes - Phone 10/11/2019 | ARRL Florida State December 2019 **Convention, 54th Annual Melbourne** 6-8 160 Meter Hamfest 14-15 **10 Meter** Rookie Roundup-CW 15 Location: Melbourne, FL **Type: ARRL Convention** January 2020 **Sponsor: Platinum Coast Amateur Radio Society Straight Key Night** Website: http://pcars.org Kid's Dav 4 RTTY Roundup 4-5 10/18/2019 | Delta Division Convention 18-20 January VHF Sweepstakes (Hamfest Chattanooga 2019) February 2020 Location: East Ridge, TN 10-14 School Club Roundup **Type: ARRL Convention** 15-16 International DX – CW Sponsor: Chattanooga Amateur Radio Club Website: http://w4am.net/hamfest-chattanooga-2018/ March 2020 7-8 **International DX- Phone** 10/26/2019 | South Carolina Section April 2020 Rookie Roundup - Phone **Convention "Beachfest" 2019** Location: Conway, SC (no ARRL contests in May) **Type: ARRL Convention Sponsor: Grand Strand Amateur Radio Club** June 2020 13-15 Website: http://www.w4gs.org **June VHF** 20 Kid's Day 27-28 Field Day For more information: http://www.arrl.org/hamfests-and-conventions-calendar When searching by division, remember some states adjacent to GA are in different divisions: For more information: Southeastern: GA, AL, FL Delta: TN Roanoke: NC, SC http://www.arrl.org/contest-calendar

HAMFEST CALENDAR

ARRL CONTESTING INFO

| GARS Events Cale | endar for 2019 | GARS Recurring Calendar |
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| TechFest (www.techfest.info) Winter Field Day General HamCram Dog Show Fundraiser Georgia QSO Party North metro area Fox Hunt May Madness Memorial Day Parade ARC/KARC Hamfest Field Day Tech HamCram JOTA Maker Faire Stone Mt. Hamfest Holiday Party | January 26 (same day as TechFest, not scheduled for 2019) March 16 & 23 March 28 - 31 April 13 & 14 April May May 27 CANCELED for 2019 June 22 & 23 July October October November 2 & 3 December | 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7 pm (except December): Monthly Club Meeting 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7 pm (except December): Monthly Workshop 2nd Sunday of the Month at 2 pm: GARS Ham Exam Session Fire Station #24 2735 Mall of Georgia Blvd Buford, GA 30519 Every Monday at 7:30 pm: GARS Want, Swap, Sell, and Information Net on the GARS 147.075 MHz repeater Every Monday at 8:30 pm: ARES Training on the GARS 147.075 MHz repeater |
| August GARS Meeting: Drone Antenna Launching (Tentative) | | Most Saturdays at 7:30 am: GARS Weekly Breakfast Golden Corral Restaurant 2155 Riverside Parkway, Lawrenceville, GA 30043 |

| GARS CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR JULY 2019 | | | | | | |
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| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
| Jun 30 | 1 7:30 - 8:00 pm GARS 2m Net | 2 | 3 | Happy Independence Day! | | 7:30 - 9:30 am Breakfast at Golden Corral Riverside Drive |
| 7 | 8 7:30 - 8:00 pm GARS 2m Net | 9 5:00 - 6:30 pm Dinner 7:00 - 9:00 pm GARS Meeting | 10 | 11 | 12 | 7:30 - 9:30 am Breakfast at Golden Corral Riverside Drive |
| GARS VE Team Testing Session Starts at 2:00 pm | 7:30 - 8:00 pm GARS 2m Net | 16 5:00 - 6:30 pm Dinner 7:00 - 9:00 pm GARS Workshop | 17 | 18 | 19 | 7:30 - 9:30 am Breakfast Tech Ham Cram Day 1 of 2 @ Gwinnett EOC |
| 21 | 7:30 - 8:00 pm GARS 2m Net | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 7:30 - 9:30 am Breakfast Tech Ham Cram Day 2 of 2 @ Gwinnett EOC |
| 28 | 7:30 - 8:00 pm GARS 2m Net | 30 | 31 The OAD-AM | Aug 1 | Aug 2 | Aug 3 7:30 - 9:30 am Breakfast at Golden Corral Riverside Drive |

Metro Testing Sessions

Ham Exam Results

Metro Club Meetings

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First Sunday, ODD Months

2 pm (Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sep, & Nov) VEC: WCARS Braselton Public Utility Building 4986 Highway 53, Braselton, GA Contact: Roger Gibson, WB4T (770) 271-4210 or (770) 712-9560 w4rlg@bellsouth.net

First Sunday, EVEN Months

2 pm (Feb, Apr, Jun, Aug, Oct, Dec) VEC: WCARS Hall County EOC 470 Crescent Dr. Gainesville, Ga. Contact: Perry Roper, KO4RD (770) 536-3056

Second Saturday

10:00 AM

Alpharetta North Park, Adult Activities Center 13450 Cogburn Rd, Alpharetta, GA 30004 Contact: Ian Kahn, KM4IK

E-mail: km4ik.ian@gmail.com

Third Saturday, ODD Months

VEC: ARRL

9:30 am (Appointments required, no walk-ins) Stone Mountain Masonic Lodge

840 VFW Drive

Stone Mountain, GA 30083 Contact: Frank Haynes, KV4SP Email: fhaynes@vatmom.net

(678) 467-3712

Second Sunday

VEC: W5YI 2 pm Fire Station #24 Mall of Georgia Boulevard Buford, GA 30519 Contact: Dave Bruse, W4DTR E-mail: exams@gars.org

First Sunday, EVEN Months

VEC: WCARS and W5YI 2 pm @ Barrow Co. Emerg. Serv. Bldg 66 McElroy Street Winder, GA 30680 Contact: Mike Wolcott, W4WYI

(404) 281-6581

E-mail: <u>W4WYI@ARRL.net</u>

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June Results

We had a good exam session on Sunday, June 9. We had eleven applicants with the following results:

- 3 new Technician class;
- 2 new General class (passed Technician and General exams);
- 1 upgrade to General class;
- 1 upgrade to Amateur Extra class.

Many thanks to the following VE's who made this session possible:

- Bob, K4CQO
- Russell, AB4QQ
- Bill, WR1TR
- Richard, KM4SWL
- Allison, AB4YL
- Dale, AE8DL
- Frank, KV4SP
- Greg, W1ROO
- Pam, WB1AKO
- Sid, N4NQ (Co-CVE)
- Bill, WB4WTN
- Dave, W4DTR (CVE)

73, **Don**, KK4NJM (Co-CVE)

GARS VE Team Leaders E-mail: exams@gars.org

GARS VE Website: http://gars.org/exams

Fourth Tuesday

ARRL VEC

7 pm @ United Way Service Center 6279 Fairburn Rd., Douglasville Contact: Jessie Clower, KB4WFK (770) 942-6466

Fourth Sunday

2:30 pm Georgia Tech
VanLeer Elec. Building
Rm. W218, 777 Atlantic Dr.
For more information go to
www.w4aql.com and click on "Test
Sessions"

First Tuesday

Kennehoochee ARC Downtown Marietta Fire Station #1, Training Room 112 Haynes Street Marietta, Georgia 30060 Meeting begins at 7:00pm Talk In 146.880(-)

First Thursday

Atlanta Radio Club Georgia Red Cross HQ 1955 Monroe Dr., Atlanta Meeting is at 7:30pm Talk In -146.820(-)

N.E. Georgia ARC Commerce Public Library 1344 South Broad Street, Commerce Meeting is at 6:30pm Talk In - 147.225(+), PL 123.0

Second Monday

Georgia Tech ARC Room W218 Van Leer Electrical Engineering Bldg. Georgia Tech Campus Meeting at 7:00pm

Second Thursday

Alford Memorial Radio Club Annistown Road Baptist Church Annistown Rd & Spain Rd Stone Mountain Dinner at 6:00pm, Meeting at 7:30pm Talk In - 146.760(-)

Second Saturday

North GA QRP Club Board Room of The Shepherd Center 2020 Peachtree Rd, NW, Atlanta at 10:00 AM

Third Tuesday

North Fulton Amateur Radio League Alpharetta Recreation & Parks Dept Alpharetta Adult Activity Center 13450 Cogburn Road Alpharetta, GA 30004 meeting at 7:30pm Talk In - 145.47(-)

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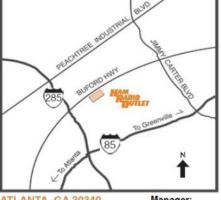
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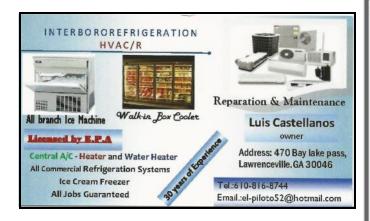
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